Morning Prayer (The Book of Alternative Services)



"Journeying Together in God's Love"

Who we are.

We are part of the Diocese of British Columbia, which is a member of the Anglican Church of Canada and the world wide Christian Church.

We acknowledge with thanksgiving that we gather on the traditional lands of the First Nations Peoples, and especially those of the Snaw-Naw-As people.

We join a line of Anglicans who have worshipped on these islands for over 150 years. As we continue, we commit ourselves to a journey of truth and reconciliation between the indigenous peoples of this land and the non-native peoples of Canada.

We are committed to creating and maintaining a safe community in every respect including our ministry with vulnerable persons such as children, seniors, and persons with special challenges.

We welcome everyone, regardless of language, race or sexuality, into a Christian community whose core values are love, respect, kindness, and generosity.

If you are new here today, please make yourself known to the minister taking the service. We would love to get to know you better.

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Sentence (please see the Bulletin)

The Opening Hymn (please see the Bulletin)

<u>The Penitential Rite</u>

Leader: Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Leader: Almighty God have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and keep us in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

(Please stand, as you are able)

Leader: Lord, open our lips,

All: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Leader: O God, make speed to save us.

All: O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will

be for ever. Amen.

The Venite (Psalm 95.1–7)

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to Him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, and a great king above all gods.

In His hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are His also.

The sea is His for He made it, and His hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our maker.

For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand. Oh, that today you would hearken to His voice!

<u>The Readings</u>

The First Reading (pleae see the Bulletin)

(Response at the end of the Reading)

Reader: The word of the Lord. All: **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm (please see the Bulletin)

The Second Reading (please see the Bulletin)

(Response at the end of the Reading)

Reader: The word of the Lord. All: **Thanks be to God.**

The Gradual Hymn (please see the Bulletin)

(At the end of the Hymn, please remain standing, as you are able, as The Gospel is read)

The Gospel

Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according

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All: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

(At the conclusion of the Reading)

Leader: The Gospel of Christ

All: **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

The Sermon

The Offertory Hymn (please see the Bulletin)

The Offertory Sentence (please see the Bulletin)

(Please stand, as you are able, when the offering is presented, and for the Creed which follows. The following prayer of thanksgiving is said:)

Leader: Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever.

All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine.

All: All things come of thee, and of thine own have we

given thee.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated)

The Prayers of the People

The Collect (please see the Bulletin.)

The Lord's Prayer

Leader: Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as

our Saviour taught us,

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as

in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Dismissal

Leader: Let us bless the Lord. All: **Thanks be to God.**

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of

God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us

all evermore. Amen.

The Recessional Hymn (please see the Bulletin)